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Please note that news sites update their hyperlinks, so it is advised that articles of interest be read soon as they might not be accessible later.

Detroit News: Wayne County gun charge dismissed because of missed deadline

"The Michigan Supreme Court has dismissed a criminal case against a man who said authorities flunked a 180-day deadline to bring him to court."

[Full story](#)

Note: This article also ran in the Mining Journal, The Republic, and other media outlets

Macomb County Legal News: Scam uses fake court summons

"It may look official: An e-mail notice to appear in court, claiming that the recipient is accused of "illegal software use" or other offenses. The notice instructs the recipient to download an attached "complaint" or click on a website link."

[Full story](#)

Macomb County Legal News: District court vacancy filled

"Gov. Rick Snyder has appointed David Perkins of Detroit, to the 36th District Court, which serves the city of Detroit."

[Full story](#)

Michigan Lawyers Weekly: Nominations for 2014 'Leaders' are now open

"Michigan Lawyers Weekly will present the Leaders in the Law Class of 2014 at our annual luncheon and awards celebration on Thursday, March 20, 2014, at the Detroit Marriott Troy."

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Mlive: Allegan County courts, government offices closed Tuesday due to inclement weather

"Allegan County courts and government offices will be closed Tuesday due to severe weather conditions that are crippling much of Southwest Michigan"

[Full story](#)

Mlive: McDonald's robber appeals his conviction, gets 3 years taken off 25- to 50-year prison term

"A man convicted of robbing a Comstock Park McDonald's appealed his conviction and now he could spend three fewer years behind bars.....Woods appealed the sentence and conviction on a variety of grounds, but it was a technical error made in scoring "offense variables" that led to the State Court of Appeals sending the case back to Redford for re-sentencing."

[Full story](#)

Oakland County Legal News: Same sentence in death of Detroit firefighter

"A judge again sentenced a convicted arsonist to at least 41 years in prison for a fire that killed a Detroit firefighter in 2008. The case was sent back to a Wayne County judge by the Michigan appeals court, which said he didn't fully explain why Mario Willis should get a sentence that exceeded the guidelines. Judge Michael Callahan says the death of Walt Harris was foreseeable because the house had been severely damaged by a prior fire."

[Full story](#)

Oakland County Legal News: Ingham joins ranks of mental health court programs

"Ingham County's 55th District Court has joined the ranks of courts opting for treatment of mentally ill defendants instead of sending them to jail."

[Full story](#)

SBM Blog: Ethical Issue Michigan Supreme Court May Never Face, Unfortunately

"The Colorado Supreme Court has festooned the columns of its judicial center with gigantic Albert-Speerish orange and blue Go Broncos banners."

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